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TO : W. P. Gammill, Chief
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SUBJECT: Comments on "SPERT I Low-Enrichment Oxide Core Destructive Test Program Safety Analysis Report", (IDO-16906)

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A review of the hazards evaluation for a 1.8 millisecond core destruct test in the above mentioned document indicates that the hazards calculations were rather incomplete. Inhalation dose calculations were not made and the methods of whole body dose calculations from a passing cloud and the meteorological parameters used in the calculations were not given. The assumed conditions of the fission product release, namely 250 megawatt second excursion energy and a 50% release of Halogens, 1% release of solids, and 100% release of noble gases for a total of 16% of the fission product inventory appear reasonable. With these release assumptions we have made the following estimates of doses:

Doses for Strong Lapse Conditions

<u>Distance</u>	<u>Whole Body Dose From Passing Cloud (mrem)</u>	<u>Inhalation Dose (mrem)</u>
1 mile	40	34
CPP (3 miles)	3.7	5
NRF (7 miles)	.12	1
EBR II (11 miles)	.03	0.5

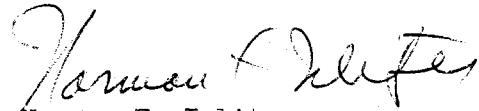
The off-site ingestion dose towards the northeast boundary of the NRTS is estimated to be less than 30 mr. The whole body dose calculations given above are similar to the ones given in figure 14, page 27 of the report. It appears that the dose levels at other inhabited areas in case of a wind shift off the grid during lapse conditions should not be a serious problem.

Calculations made for the inversion conditions in the report do not appear to be correct, that is, they seem to be low. However, a critical review for inversion conditions has not been made by this office since operational controls can be exercised so that this atmospheric condition will not be credible during the test.

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The wind direction limits for the experiment, 180° to 260°, listed on page 21 should be clarified to indicate that this direction range can only be allowed for short period wind direction excursions. The prevailing wind direction must be restricted to a sector 200° \pm 20° to insure that the major part of the fission product trajectory will not intercept an inhabited area.



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